

THE DIRECTOR OF  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

National Intelligence Council

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
FROM : Herbert E. Meyer, Vice Chairman  
National Intelligence Council  
SUBJECT : Soviet Revenge

1. The Soviets must be itching for an opportunity to shoot down a US reconnaissance aircraft either over Soviet territory or close enough to claim an intrusion.

2. Have we set up a mechanism to assure high-level prior clearance for all such flights? If not, we should. No mission should now be treated as routine.

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